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Conclusion

Based on the Amendment and Reply filed on April 24, 2008 and the corrected listing

of the claims filed herewith, all of the stated grounds of objection and rejections have been

properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully

request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and

that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to

the Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the

Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of

this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully

requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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